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**NEWS SUMMARY: Appleton Resident Charged with Sending, Receiving, and Possessing Child Pornography**

United States Attorney Steven M. Biskupic announced today that Joseph A. Fredrickson (DOB: 3/25/66) of Appleton was indicted March 4, 2008, on six counts related to his sending, receiving, and possessing child pornography. If convicted, Fredrickson faces at least 5 years and up to 20 years in prison on five counts, and up to 10 years in prison on the remaining count. The public is reminded that an indictment is only a charging document which does not carry any inference of guilt, and that Fredrickson is presumed innocent of the charges.

A federal grand jury returned the six-count indictment, which alleges that on multiple occasions during 2007, Fredrickson knowingly sent and received child pornography to an internet chat partner in California using Google's Hello instant messenger program. The indictment also alleges that on February 12, 2008, Fredrickson knowingly possessed numerous child pornography images.

The case was investigated by the Federal Bureau of Investigation, and is being prosecuted by the United States Attorney's Office of the Eastern District of Wisconsin, Green Bay Division.

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